

Amendments to the Specification

Please replace the paragraph numbered [00143] on page 41 of the previously submitted specification (starting with the text "Fig 1. is a cross-sectional view . . ."), in its entirety, with the following amended paragraph:

FIG 1. is a cross-sectional view of a hot tub (100) to be treated. Circulation of water (10)
Water circulation is illustrated, which begins in the hot tub water reservoir (15) itself where the
surface water (10) flows through the filter (40). After the water (10) has been filtered, the water
(10) it-passes through the heater (60) and from the heater (60) through the pump (30). After that,
the water (10) flows back into the hot tub water reservoir (15). The flow can be controlled by the
power of the pump (30) and there is a possibility to inject extra air into the water though the air
control unit (70). An ozonator (50) is installed separately, and injects O₃ into the water (10) to
kill the bacteria. The bubbles from the ozonator (50) enter the water (10) through the "ozonator
exit" opening. The ozonator (50) is controlled according to the pollution level: from three times
two hours in a twenty-four hour period, to six times two hours in a twenty-four period. In one
instance, the ozonator (50) runs six times for two hours each, in a twenty-four hour period.

Please replace the paragraph numbered [00144] on page 41 of the previously submitted specification (starting with the text "Fig 2. is a cross-sectional view . . ."), in its entirety, with the following amended paragraph:

FIG 2. is a cross-sectional view of a pool (200) to be treated. The water treatment
composition (20) of the present invention is poured onto the water surface. Circulation of water
(110). Water circulation is as-illustrated, which begins in the pool (200) itself where the surface
water (110) enters into the skimmer (45). From the skimmer (45) the water (110) it-goes through
the filter (140) and from there the water (110) it-passes near the UV-C lamp and/or ozonator
(150) for disinfection. After this the water (110) it-returns to the pool (200) through jets.
Generally, at least once a week the filter (140) is backwashed. The wastewater flows into the

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sewer system. In this system, the wastewater is not be-polluted with chemicals that can damage the environment.

Please replace the paragraph numbered [0078] on page 21 of the previously submitted specification (starting with the text “In accordance with the present invention, a method is provided for . . .”), in its entirety, with the following amended paragraph:

In accordance with the present invention, a method is provided for removing biofilm from, and/or for preventing biofilm from forming on, a surface of a vessel, conduit or other device that receives a supply of water. The method comprises adding to the supply of water a composition comprising: one or more metasilicate, one or more carbonate, one or more glyconate, and one or more sulfate.

Please note that the above referenced paragraphs being replaced correspond to numbered paragraphs [0222], [0223], and [0134] respectively in the published patent application document (US 2008/0035580 A1).